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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

This reply is in response to the September 14, 2006 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) to extend the time for filing this reply for two (2) months, up to

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and including December 14, 2006. Accordingly, this reply is timely filed.

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